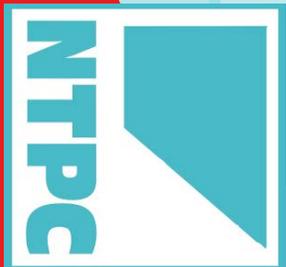


**Smoke Free Workplaces
Research Project
Prenu Skaria**



Purpose



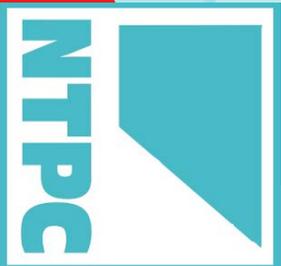
- **2006 Study done by Pritsos et.al.**
- Determine smoking rates among gamblers and compare to current smoking rates in Washoe County
- Use data to build support for ordinances to prohibit smoking in casinos and bars

Locations

- Casino/resorts
 - Previous study locations
 - Other locations
- Small casinos: Gold Dust West and Baldini's
- Gaming establishments : Dotty's/Grampy's

Locations

- Atlantis
- Boomtown
- Circus Circus
- Grand Sierra Resort
- John Ascuaga's Nugget
- Peppermill
- Silver Legacy
- Harrah's
- Eldorado
- Western Village (smaller/local)
- Gold Dust West (smaller/local)
- Baldini's (smaller/local)
- 6 Dotty's
- 2 Grampy's



Methodology

- Two member teams
- Slots and Table games
- Sports bars and Poker rooms were excluded



Slots and Table Games



Methodology

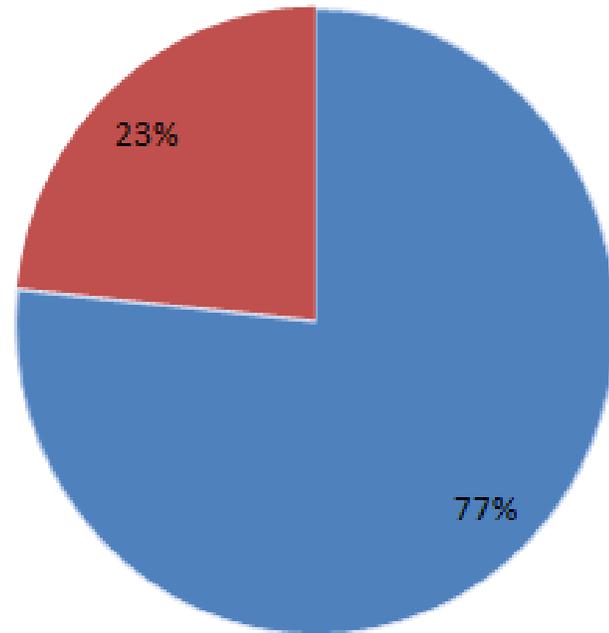
Repace and Lowry Formula

Total number of gamblers observed smoking

Multiplied by 3 to determine total number of gamblers who were smoking

2019 Washoe County Results

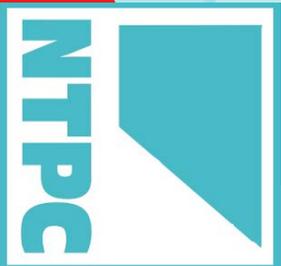
Observed Smokers



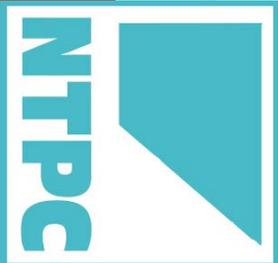
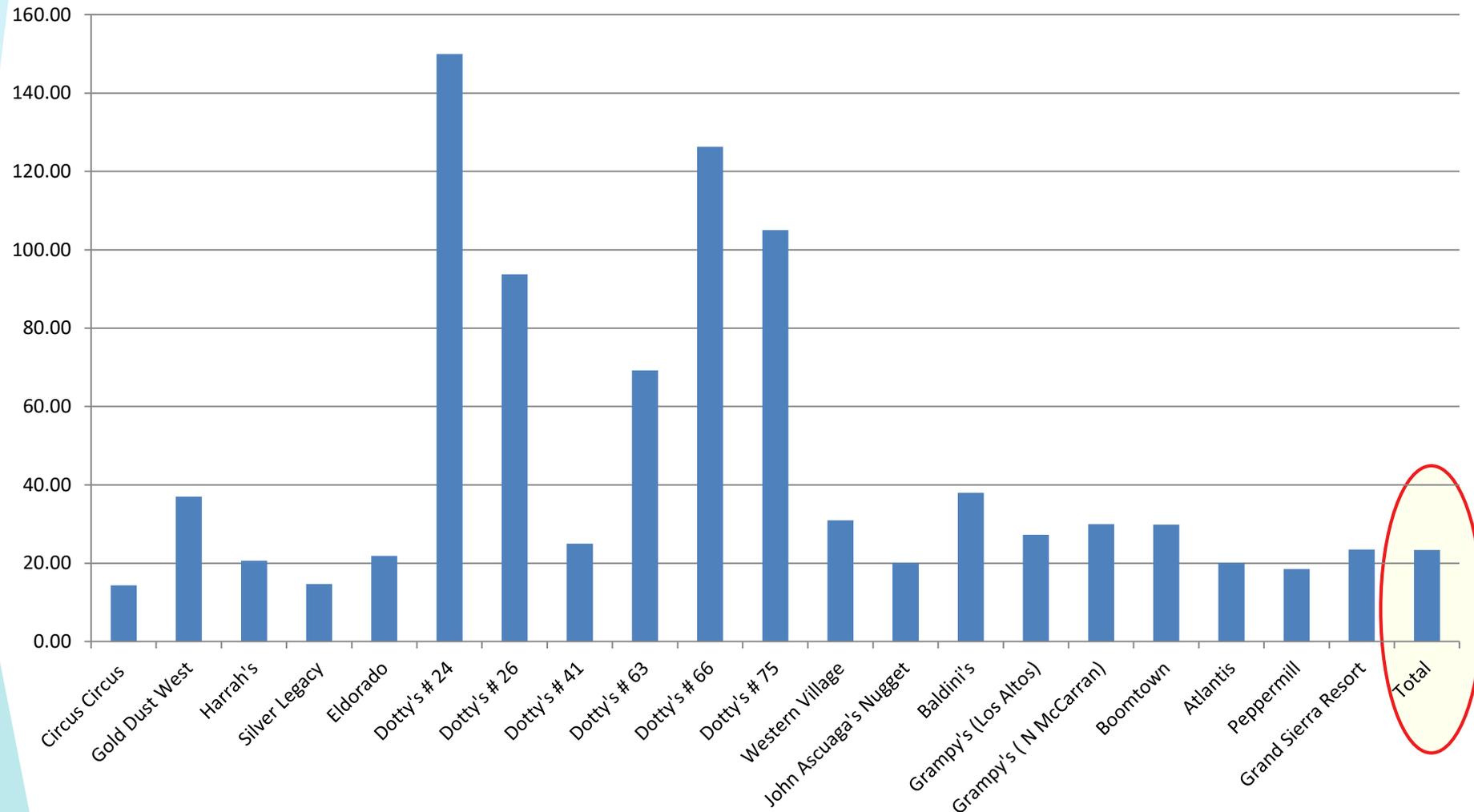
- Number of gamblers who were not smoking
- Number gamblers who were smoking

2019 Analysis

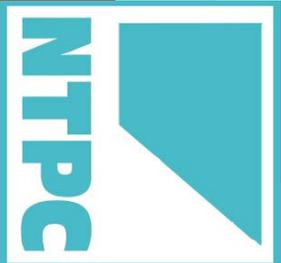
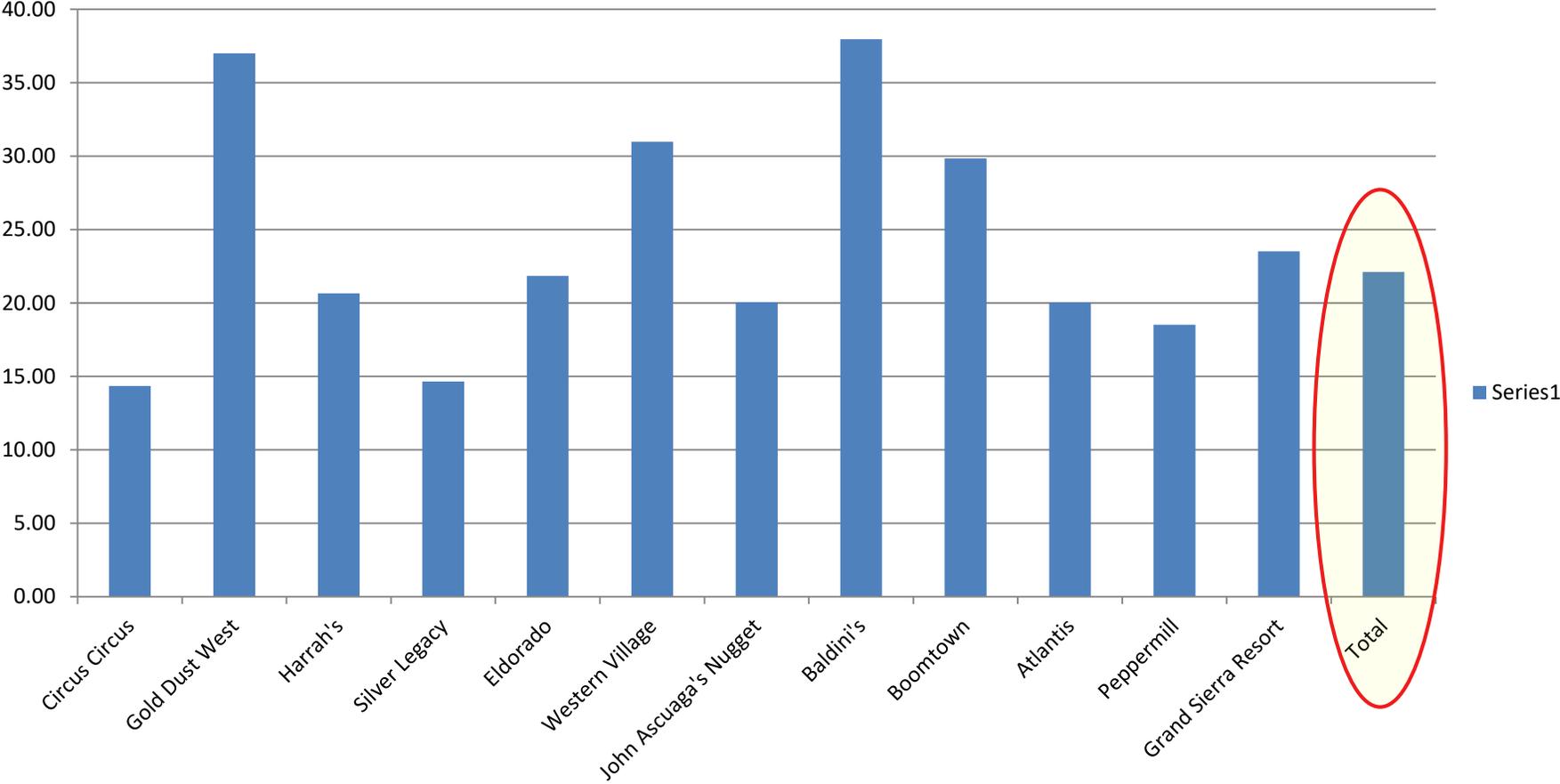
- All locations
- Previous study locations
- All casinos excluding Dotty's/Grampy's



Number of Smokers, All locations



All Casinos (2019)



National, State, County Smoking Rates

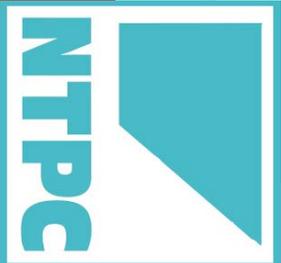
- 2006 – U.S. Smoking Rate – 20.9 % (2006 ATS)
 - Nevada Smoking Rate - 23.1% (2017 BRFSS)
 - Washoe County Smoking Rate – 18.7% (ATS 2006)
 - Study findings: 20.9% (+/- 1.2%)
- Current – U.S. Smoking Rate – 14 % (CDC)
 - Nevada Smoking Rate - 17.6 % (2017 BRFSS)
 - Washoe County Smoking Rate - 14.6% (2017 BRFSS)
 - Study findings: 19.25% (+/- 1.19%)

Study Conclusion

- The percent of gamblers who smoke (19.25%) is higher than the current average smoking rate in Washoe County (14.6%) and in the US (14.0%).
- While smoking rates among the general population have dropped between 2006 and 2019, study findings show that smoking rates among gamblers has not changed significantly.

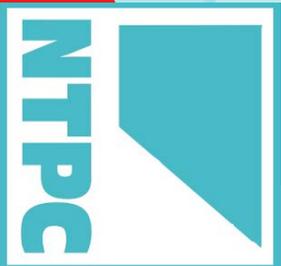
Alliance Event Survey

- Networking Event
- 35 people completed survey
- 33 question survey



Survey Demographics

- Male- 37.1% and Female- 62.9%
- Education- College Graduate 42.9%, and Graduate/Professional degree 31.4%
- Political view- Somewhat conservative 34.3%, Somewhat liberal 14.3%, Moderate 22%, Very conservative 8.6% , and Very liberal 20%



Survey Questions

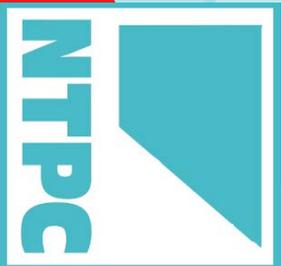
- Preference and frequency of visits to area casinos
- Supportive of employees and casino patrons
- Frequency change in visits
- Impressions and/or beliefs about ordinances
- Knowledge of SHS exposure
- Favor or oppose SF WP

Survey Results

- Recent visit to casino within past 3 months- 77%
- Reason for visit
 - Majority for restaurants, bars, spas, shows, meeting facilities
 - Smaller percentage was for gaming
- Favor an ordinance to prohibit smoking in casinos- 68.6%
- Knowledge about health impacts of exposure to secondhand smoke- 85.7%
- Belief that SF would positively impact casino revenues- 57%
- Belief that casino employees/patrons deserve to breathe clean air- 77.1%

Alliance Survey Conclusion

- Respondents did not report frequenting casinos for gaming reasons
- Respondents believe that casino employees and casino patrons deserve to breathe clean air, and they would frequent casinos more often if the casinos were smoke free





Thank you!!